



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING November 12, 2013 Minutes

Members Present:

Howard Pizzo, Dennis Fedewa and Karen Mojica

Staff Members Present:

Jen Roberts and Mark Graham

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 4:27 p.m.

2. Public Comment:

N/A

3. Set/Adjust Agenda:

Karen Mojica moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dennis Fedewa supported. All agreed. Motion carried.

4. Set/Adjust October 8, 2013 Meeting Minutes:

Dennis Fedewa moved to approve the minutes as presented. Karen Mojica supported. All agreed. Motion carried.

5. Complete Streets Ordinance:

Howard Pizzo asked if everyone received Mark Grahams Chronology 2 memo, which was sent out to committee members in October. A discussion ensued with regard to this subject, which included the following items:

- Too many “shalls” were addressed, replaced with more generic language
- Placement of this ordinance on the December 9th Committee of the Whole Board meeting agenda
- Complete Streets strategy – physical and economic characteristics
- 2014 Sidewalk/Pathway Projects
- Bike lanes
- Attorney review

Dennis moved that we recommend the adoption of the proposed ordinance as presented to us by staff that would institutionalize the Complete Streets Ordinance. Karen Mojica supported. All agreed. Motion carried.

6. New Business:

Dennis Fedewa asked what the timeline for the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Howard Pizzo reported that it was due into Tri-County by the end of the year. Mark Graham provided the following timeline:

- Hiring of a consultant to do an air quality analysis, who will be on board by the end of the year
- They will be asking for projects from local communities by the end of 2014
- The Comprehensive Transportation Plan should be done in 2015, and updated every five years thereafter

Dennis Fedewa provided information on the Committee of the Whole Board meeting held on Monday, November 11th, with Grand Ledge schools, and how he felt they should be included in discussions when the Township starts to look at projects for the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. A discussion followed with regard to sidewalks in school zones.

Dennis Fedewa asked for an update on the Prosperity Grant. Jen Roberts stated that the grant was submitted by Tri-County last week, but to her knowledge there has not been any other update. She will check with Richard Watkins on the details of this grant, and forward committee members a digital copy of the grant. It was decided that this item be tabled and discussed at the next meeting.

Howard Pizzo reported that Ingham County Health Department is doing a health assessment, along with the housing study. A discussion on this subject, which included subsidized housing, senior housing, and availability of transportation to those who live in these developments, ensued.

Howard stated that the group should meet again in January. He then asked Mark Graham to provide the group with an outline for the 20-35 Transportation Plan, which should include some broad parameters of how it may look. Mark Graham stated that he could provide the projects we have right now, the ones he calls the first five years, and then the more controversial ones. Howard stated that once they have this information they could come up with a strategy for making informed recommendations.

Dennis Fedewa asked that recommendations for the Non-Motorized plan be added to the next meeting agenda.

Dennis Fedewa then moved that the meeting be adjourned. Karen Mojica supported. All agreed. Motion carried.

7. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.